

SENATE BILL 3264

By Norris

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 39
and Title 43, relative to livestock.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 39-14-211, is amended by designating the current language as subsection (a) and by adding a new subsection (b) as follows:

(b) Effective January 1, 2011, an inspection of livestock described in subsection (a) shall be preceded by an inspection by a qualified representative of the law enforcement agency that is investigating the alleged violation of this part. If the qualified representative determines that there is probable cause to believe that this part has been violated, then the inspection authorized by subsection (a) shall be conducted before any action is initiated with respect to an alleged violation of this part. As used in this subsection (b), "qualified representative" means a person who is employed by or under contract with a law enforcement agency and who has completed a course of study covering nutrition, hydration, shelter and other care standards for livestock, which course of study is conducted by an accredited college of agriculture in this state and based on curriculum approved by the University of Tennessee extension service.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.